



Health Insurance for Children and Families

Health Insurance Premium Assistance Program

# **Fact Sheet**

#### What is RIte Care?

RIte Care is Rhode Island's health insurance program that provides eligible uninsured children, families, and pregnant women with comprehensive health care through one of three participating health plans: Neighborhood Health Plan of RI, United Healthcare of New England and Blue Cross & Blue Shield of RI. Families enroll in a health plan of their choice.

#### What is RIte Share?

RIte Share is a premium assistance program that helps families get health insurance coverage through their employer (or spouse's employer). If a family qualifies, RIte Share will pay for all or part of the employee's share of the health insurance premium. RIte Share also pays for copayments in the employer's health insurance plan.

Both RIte Care and RIte Share are administered by the RI Department of Human Services and are part of the Medical Assistance Program.

#### Who can qualify for RIte Care or RIte Share?

- Families with children
- Children up to age 19
- Pregnant women

Eligibility for both RIte Care and RIte Share is based on income and family size. See the income guidelines in this fact sheet.

If an applicant qualifies for Medical Assistance (RIte Care or RIte Share) and if his or her employer offers a qualified health insurance plan, then the applicant will be enrolled in **RIte Share**. If an applicant's employer does <u>not</u> offer a qualified health insurance plan or the employee is not eligible to receive it or is unemployed, then the applicant will be enrolled in **RIte Care**.

### How to apply for RIte Care or RIte Share

First, apply for Medical Assistance by completing a mail-in application. To get an application, print one from our website at www.dhs.ri.gov/dhs/famchild/shcare.htm or call the DHS Info Line **or** pick one up at a DHS office. If your family or children qualify for Medical Assistance, you will be notified by mail. You will also be notified which program your family qualifies for-RIte Care or RIte Share.

#### **Covered Benefits:**

- Doctor's office visits
- Immunizations
- Prescriptions
- Lab tests
- Mental health services
- Drug or alcohol treatment
- Referral to specialists
- Hospital care
- Emergency care
- Skilled nursing care
- Nutrition services
- Home health care programs Transportation
  - services

Childbirth education

programs

• Parenting classes

• Smoking cessation

• Interpreter services Dental care

RIte Care and RIte Share members receive two (2) health insurance cards, a Health Plan ID card and a Medical Assistance ID card. Members show both cards when receiving services.

#### How much does it cost for RIte Care or RIte Share?

- Families with incomes up to 150% of the federal poverty level (FPL) receive RIte Care or RIte Share at no cost.
- Families with incomes between 150% and 250% of the FPL pay a monthly premium (for either RIte Care or RIte Share) of \$61, \$77 or \$92 per month, depending on their income.

#### Income Guidelines for RIte Care or RIte Share

	Family's Monthly Income (gross)			
Family size	Family Coverage (parents and children)		Coverage for Children or Pregnant women only	
2	Less than \$1650	\$1650.01- \$2035.00	\$2035.01 - \$2200.00	\$2200.01-\$2750.00
3	Less than \$2075	\$2075.01- \$2559.17	\$2559.18 - \$2766.67	\$2766.68 -\$3458.33
4	Less than \$2500	\$2500.01- \$3083.33	\$3083.34 - \$3333.33	\$3333.34 -\$4166.67
5	Less than \$2925	\$2925.01- \$3607.50	\$3607.51 - \$3900.00	\$3900.01-\$4875.00
Cost per month	\$ 0	\$61	\$77	\$92
	less than 150% FPL	150%-185% FPL	185%-200% FPL	200%-250% FPL

For income guidelines for larger families, please call the Info Line. A pregnant woman counts as a "family size" of two (2). FPL= Federal Poverty Guidelines (2006)

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